

## SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 18

### Consequential Amendments

1.—(1) The Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996(1) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this paragraph.

(2) In regulation 23 (attendance) for the words “Secretary of State” there shall be substituted the words “employment officer”.

(3) In regulation 24 (provision of information and evidence), at the end there shall be added the following paragraph —

“(11) In this regulation, references to the “Secretary of State” include a reference to persons designated as employment officers by an Order made by the Secretary of State under section 8(3) of the Jobseekers Act 1995(2).”.

2.—(1) The Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1987(3) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this paragraph.

(2) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) after the entry relating to “refugee” there shall be inserted the following entry —

““relevant authority” means a person within section 72(2) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999(4);”.

(3) In each of the provisions specified in sub-paragraph (4) below, for the words “Secretary of State” there shall be substituted the words “employment officer”.

(4) Those provisions are —

- (a) regulation 4(6)(5) (making a claim for benefit); and
- (b) regulation 6(4A)(6) (date of claim).

(5) In regulation 7(1), after the words “Secretary of State” in the first place where they occur, there shall be inserted the words “or, in a case where regulation 4A applies, the relevant authority”.

(6) In regulation 19(5)(d) (time for claiming benefit)(7), after the word “Employment” there shall be inserted the words “or in a case to which regulation 4A applies, a representative of a relevant authority”.

(7) In paragraph 2A(2)(b) of Schedule 7(8) after the words “associated office” there shall be inserted the words “or any office to which a claim may be made in accordance with regulation 4A(1)”.

(8) In regulation 32 (information to be given when obtaining benefit), after paragraph (1), there shall be inserted the following paragraph —

“(1A) In the case of a person who made a claim for benefit in accordance with regulation 4A(1), a change of circumstances may be notified to a relevant authority at any office to which the claim for benefit could be made in accordance with that provision.”.

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(1) S.I. 1996/207.

(2) Section 8(3) was added by the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c. 30), Schedule 8, paragraph 29(3).

(3) S.I. 1987/1968.

(4) 1999 c. 30

(5) Regulation 4(6) was substituted by S.I. 1996/1460.

(6) Regulation 6(4A) was inserted by S.I. 1997/793.

(7) Regulation 19 was substituted by S.I. 1997/793.

(8) Paragraph 2A was inserted by S.I. 1989/136.